

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

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Robert Y. Watada, Executive Director Campaign Spending Commission 235 South Beretania Street, Room 300 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: MUR 4594

Friends for Fasi Frank Fasi China Airlines

Longevity International Enterprise

Corporation

Dear Mr. Watada:

This is in reference to the matter you filed on behalf of the Campaign Spending Commission of Hawaii with the Federal Election Commission on June 4, 1996, concerning Friends for Fasi.

After conducting an extensive investigation, on December 3, 1996, the Commission found probable cause to believe Friends for Fasi, Frank Fasi and Longevity International Enterprises Corporation violated 2 U.S.C. § 441e, a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

On December 29, 1999, the Commission accepted a signed conciliation agreement with Longevity International Enterprises Corporation. That agreement contained an admission that Longevity made a contribution that violated 2 U.S.C. § 441e and provided for a \$75,000 civil penalty. Also, on December 29, 1999, the Commission decided to take no further action against and close the file as it relates to China Airlines, Ltd.

The Commission was unable to settle this matter with Friends for Fasi and Frank Fasi through a conciliation agreement and, therefore, on January 12, 2000, filed suit against Friends for Fasi and Frank Fasi. The court found that Friends for Fasi violated 2 U.S.C. § 441e, ordered Friends for Fasi to pay a civil penalty in the amount of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) to the Federal Election Commission and permanently enjoined Friends for Fasi and its agents, including Frank F. Fasi, from violating 2 U.S.C. § 441e. Enclosed is a copy of the court's order

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and judgment. The Commission's consideration of this matter was concluded on January 19, 2001, and the file is now closed.

We appreciate your valuable cooperation and assistance in helping the Commission meet its enforcement responsibilities under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Xavier McDonnell, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Abigail A. Shaine

Acting Associate General Counsel

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Enclosures

Conciliation Agreement (Longevity)

Final Order and Judgment (Friends for Fasi & Frank Fasi)